TOBACCO USE

Current cigarette smokers:

- Twenty percent of Montana adults in 1999 reported that they currently smoked cigarettes.
- The prevalence of smoking among Montana adults has remained virtually unchanged since 1990.
- Only 11% of adults aged 65 and older were current smokers; substantially less than adults in younger age classes (≥19%).
- Self-reported smoking was inversely associated with education and annual household income levels.
 Less than 10% of adults with a college degree or adults with annual household incomes of \$50,000 or more reported that they currently smoked cigarettes.
- More non-white or Hispanic adults (41%) reported that they smoked cigarettes than white, non-Hispanic adults (19%).

Note: A current smoker is defined as someone who has ever smoked 100 cigarettes and who now smokes every day or some days.

QUIT SMOKING FOR AT LEAST ONE DAY IN PAST YEAR:

- In 1999, 48% of current smokers who smoked every day reported that they quit smoking for at least one day in the past year.
- More adults aged 18 to 29 (68%) quit for one or more days than adults in older age classes (\leq 47%).

CURRENT SMOKELESS TOBACCO USERS:

- Six percent of Montana adults reported that they currently used smokeless tobacco in 1999.
- Self-reported smokeless tobacco use among Montana adults has remained approximately the same since 1990.
- More males reported using smokeless tobacco (13%) than females (<1%).
- Self-reported smokeless tobacco use was highest among adults aged 18 to 29 (>11%), while less than 3% of adults aged 65 and older reported using smokeless tobacco.

Note: A current smokeless tobacco user is one who reported that they currently used either chewing tobacco, snuff, or both.

Healthy People 2000 Objectives:

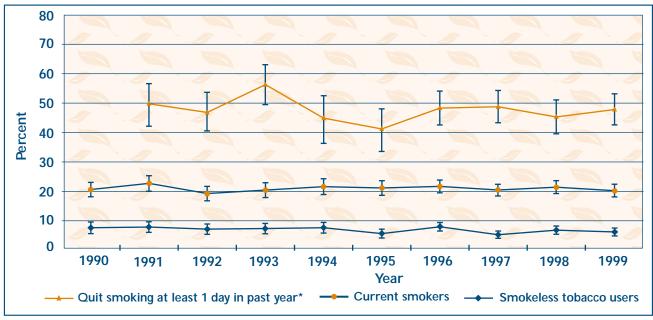
- 3.4 Reduce cigarette smoking to a prevalence of no more than 15 percent among people aged 18 and older.
- 3.6 Increase to at least 50 percent the proportion of cigarette smokers aged 18 and older who stopped smoking cigarettes for at least one day during the preceding year.

Healthy People 2010 Objective:

- 27-1a Reduce cigarette smoking by adults (to at least 12%).
- 27-5 Increase smoking cessation attempts by adult smokers (to at least 75 percent).

Table 11. Tobacco Use, Montana Adults, 1999 (with 95% confidence intervals). Quit smoking for at **Current smokeless Current smoker** least 1 day* tobacco CI CI CI **Total Total Total** No. % (+/-)% (+/-) No. % (+/-) No. No. No. No. All Adults: 1999 1795 369 20.2 (2.1)1797 97 304 146 48.0 (6.3)6.2 (1.3)Sex: Male 767 144 18.5 (3.1)53.0 (10.2) 767 94 12.5 113 57 (2.6)3 **Female** 1028 225 21.9 (2.8)191 89 44.5 (8.0)1030 0.3(0.3)Age: 18 - 29 68 23.8 11.3 280 (5.5)51 34 68.3 (14.1) 280 30 (4.3)30 - 44 516 492 132 25.1 (4.2)108 47 40.0 (10.6) 39 8.4 (2.7)45 - 64 613 121 19.1 (3.4)105 48 46.6 (10.4) 614 21 3.2 (1.5)65 +385 48 10.9 (3.2)40 385 7 2.3 (1.8)**Education**: <High School 175 55 32.0 (7.6)48 174 8 5.4 (3.9)**High School** 25.3 618 156 (3.9)132 62 47.9 (9.6)619 42 7.7 (2.5)Some College 116 22.8 90 47 49.4 (12.4) 28 510 (4.2)510 6.3 (2.5)College Degree 490 42 7.0 (2.3)34 491 19 4.6 (2.2)Income: <\$10,000 38 3 87 44.6 (12.1)33 87 5.8 (8.2)\$10,000 - \$19,999 240 75 32.6 (7.0)65 36 58.8 (13.3) 240 9 4.6 (3.1)\$20,000 - \$34,999 487 113 23.9 (4.4)96 54 55.6 (12.0) 487 38 8.5 (2.9)\$35,000 - \$49,999 273 47 15.9 (4.5)40 274 18 7.9 (3.7)\$50,000+ 314 31 9.0 (3.3)23 314 13 4.3 (2.4)Race: White, non-Hispanic 1669 323 (2.1)1670 91 18.7 272 125 46.3 (6.8)6.2 (1.4)Non-white 122 46 122 5 3.6 or Hispanic 40.5 (10.1)32 (3.3)

Figure 11. Tobacco Use, Montana Adults, 1990-1999.



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